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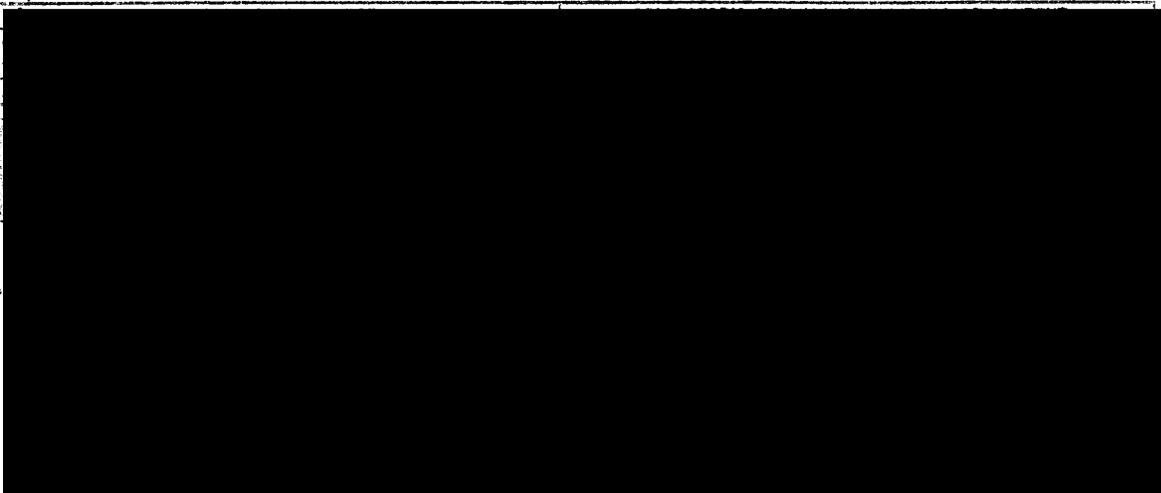
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25X1X The subject of the letter is "1948 allocation of tires and storage batteries divided according to Laender".

25X1A Comment:

a. According to this letter, the following 1948 allocations were made to the Soviet Zone civilian traffic:

38,350 automobile tires, of which 20,998 were for passenger cars and 17,352 for trucks;

56,908 tubes, of which 33,808 were for passenger cars and 23,100 for trucks.

According to another reliable source 130,000 tires and 194,600 tubes were required for the second half of 1948 alone. These requirements could only be covered with 18,547 tires and 31,411 tubes.

b. The zonal separation has caused the Soviets to expand the capacity of the Soviet Zone of Germany rubber industry according to the zonal requirements. The Soviet Zone tire and tube requirements are scheduled to be covered from domestic production by the end of 1950. The monthly tire production will then allegedly be increased to about 100,000 pieces.

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c. According to the available plan \* the following allocation is provided to German consumers in the Soviet Zone of Germany in 1949:

101,300 automobile tires

183,100 tubes.

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